WELCOME TO YOUR NEW HOME

Weston Hall

The information in this booklet is designed to help answer some essential questions you may have before your arrival at University Residences.

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So you’re moving in – what next?

Just over 450 people work within the residences here at the University of Manchester who will all help to settle you in and make sure your life in hall runs smoothly. Staff will be on site during our main arrival days in September, please feel free to ask for any assistance you may require. Please also refer to the online Residences Guide for more detailed information.

Contact Details
Address: Weston Hall Sackville Street Manchester M1 3BB
Reception Number: 0161 955 8080
Email: WestonHall@prodigy-living.co.uk

Finding your way to Weston Hall

By Air: Manchester International Airport is 12 km to the south of the city. Taxis cost around £15 - £20 from International Arrivals to the hall. There is also an express Rail Shuttle running every 10 minutes or so from the Airport Station to Piccadilly Station.

By Car: North Campus Halls are situated between London Road, Whitworth Street and Granby Row, adjacent to Piccadilly Train Station, within sight of the Mancunian Way (A57M) which links into the M56, M6, M60 (Manchester Orbital Motorway), M61, M62, M66, M67 and M602 Motorways. From the A57M, follow the signs for the University of Manchester. SatNav reference: M1 3BB

By Coach: North Campus is 5 minutes walk from Manchester International Express Coach terminal on Chorlton Street.

By Rail: Piccadilly main line station is within a 2 minute walk National Rail Enquiries: 08457 484950, National Rail Enquiries from overseas (Please note: International rates apply): +44(0)20 7278 5240 or weblink: http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/contact/

Residence Information

Weston Hall is conveniently located in the centre of Manchester, close to the main University campus as well as being Piccadilly. Weston hall accommodates both undergraduate and postgraduate students in flats of 8 residents, with ensuite facilities and a shared kitchen /lounge dining area.

Reception is open Monday to Friday and is located on the ground floor, if you require assistance out with these days you should contact the reception desk at the Pendulum hotel next door who will contact a member of the ResLife team to assist you.

What do I need to Bring?

In your room we provide a bed, desk, desk chair, lamp, wardrobe and chest of drawers. You will need to bring with you bed linen (single size), duvet, pillows and towels. As the residence is self-catered we provide an oven, hob, fridge, freezer, kettle and microwave in each flat. You should arrange to bring with you any cooking utensils, crockery, cutlery and pans you may require. A word of advice is to wait until you arrive to see if you can arrange to purchase these with your new flat mates so you don’t end up with large quantities of the same item! A limited number of bedding packs can be purchased from reception on arrival but these are subject to availability.

Key Collection

During the online induction process you will be asked to book an arrival slot (September arrival only), if you need to come earlier than the official contract start date shown on your offer, you can book and pay for extra nights’ accommodation with Weston Hall directly - WestonHall@prodigy-living.co.uk or 0161 955 8080, rooms will be allocated subject to availability and are not guaranteed.

Room keys will be available from Weston Hall reception between 10:00 – 18:00 hours (please arrive according to your slot time) on your chosen arrival date. If you arrive outside of these hours, please go to the Pendulum Hotel Reception, the Receptionist will call the Duty ResLife Advisor who will attend to your check in.

Please remember to bring with you the key release form (this is printable at the completion of your online induction) and some photographic ID.

If you will be arriving later than your contract start date, please do contact us to let us know when to expect you.

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If you lose your key / fob / swipe card at any time during your stay at Weston Hall please let us know immediately. There is a charge for replacements, although if you later find them within 7 days of reporting them lost your money will be refunded.

**Arrival by Car**
If you are arriving by car please note that car parking is limited, once you have unloaded your car we ask that you remove it from the car park area to allow others to unload.

**Hotel Accommodation**
If we cannot provide you with early arrival accommodation or if your family wish to stay locally over your first few days then information on Manchester hotels can be found at [http://www.manchester.com/hotels/](http://www.manchester.com/hotels/).

**Rent Payments**
By accepting your licence agreement you agree to pay the rental value on the property you will be occupying. This can be done either via one instalment, due in October or by 3 instalments in October, January and April. If you haven’t done so already please complete a direct debit mandate form which will allow a transfer of funds from your bank account to ours and tell us which instalment plan you would like to use. If you have not set up a direct debit you should note that you will become liable for the full rental costs for the full rental period in October. If you want to discuss this further please contact our student services centre on 0161 275 5000 who will be able to assist.

**Mail**
Please ensure that your mail is correctly addressed. Letters will be delivered into mailboxes located in reception. Larger items, registered letters or parcels will be delivered to the reception for you to collect during office hours, please note that you will always be asked to show your student ID card to collect items.

Please make sure you tell everyone your correct address – your name / flat number / room number followed by Rg GR.03.05 Weston Hall Sackville Street Manchester M1 3BB

Reception staff are more than happy to sign for items on your behalf if required but we would ask that you note that we do have the following criteria for doing so, items should not be :

- Larger than 300mm depth x 300mm height x 400mm width
- Over £150 in value
- More than 11kgs in weight
- Perishable food

If you are expecting an item that does not meet the criteria please arrange to have the delivery company call you directly to arrange delivery. You should note that if reception do sign or accept any item we cannot be responsible for lost or damaged items.

If you leave Weston Hall you should arrange to redirect your mail as we cannot send on mail to you once you have vacated. Should we unknowingly sign for items of high value (over £150) we will not be held liable for any loss. In the case of any subsequent claim for loss or damage of any mail item the maximum compensation will be £150.

**Amazon Lockers**
Some of our residences have Amazon lockers where you can arrange to have a parcel delivered or leave one to be collected. They are very simple to use!

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Firstly you need to add the locker to your Amazon address book, the names of the lockers are listed below:

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Please note that you must be a resident at the Locker location to use this service. Some of the lockers are located inside areas where you require a key to access. The lockers should not be used for anyone who is a non resident – Amazon will delete the account of anyone using a locker who is not in that accommodation.

1. Type [www.amazon.co.uk/add*****](http://www.amazon.co.uk/add***** into your browser. Replace *** with the name of the locker you wish to add to your account. Don’t use spaces.
2. You’ll be redirected to Amazon, sign into your account.
3. Once signed in Amazon will automatically add the address to your account.

From now on, simply select to “Dispatch / Return to this address” during checkout/returns process and complete your transaction as usual. All items must be eligible for a delivery to a locker.

**How do I collect my package?**

Once your parcel is delivered to the Amazon Locker, you’ll receive an email notification with a unique pick up code. When you arrive to collect your parcel, enter your pickup code or scan the barcode using the barcode scanner and follow the instructions on the screen.

All parcels delivered to locker locations must be picked up within 3 business days. If you’re not able to collect your parcel within this timeframe, the parcel will be returned for a full refund.

**Room Inventories**

You will receive an inventory in your room on arrival, if you don’t have one please let reception know. This is your opportunity to report any missing or damaged items. Please return this to reception within 48 hours of arrival and we will arrange to replace any items.

Weston Hall of Residence runs an online Fault Reporting System for Building Maintenance Issues which relate to your room, your kitchen/common area or Housekeeping. When reporting an issue online following the instruction steps can make the process a lot easier. This process will enable both the Maintenance Team to be issued with a work request number and to enable you to track your work request.

When you collect your room keys from Weston Hall Reception you will be issued with a document containing information of how to register to BASEFAULTS and a unique personal PIN NUMBER.

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Insurance

All University of Manchester halls are included in a block insurance policy, this is provided by Endsleigh. A basic cover is provided and you are recommended to check on the details to ensure that this level of cover suits your needs. Information on the cover provided can be found here, our policy number is HH1053.

Computer Network

Weston Hall is connected to the University network (Hornet) and once you have completed your University registration online and signed up for your University username and password you will be able to join the network. Please note that connection is via a hard wired system within bedrooms and there is very limited Wifi available in the building.

Overnight Guests

It's your home and you will want to have guests to stay! We would ask that you note that guests are welcome for a maximum of 2 nights in every 7. This can be extended with the written permission of the Residential Life Officer for the hall.

Your Safety & Welfare

The University has a dedicated security team covering all areas 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. To contact them simply call 0800 838 9807 or 0161 306 9966 – we recommend that you put these numbers into your contacts folder on your mobile phone. All security staff are also trained first aiders.

Our Residential Life team (ResLife) are also on hand for any help or support you may need, they will introduce themselves over the first few weeks of residence. Residential Life Advisors (RLA) work on a duty rota and are available from 6pm every night and over the weekend. The number for the RLA for Weston Hall is 07917 213264 again why not add this number to your phone contacts now?

Residences Life Team

In conjunction with your Residents Association (RA) and Junior Common Room (JCR) ResLife will be organising events, trips, lectures, volunteering events and much more during your time in halls. Please do get involved, these events are a great way to meet new people and find your way around your new city.

Fire Safety & Alarms

Fire notices and regulations are displayed throughout Weston Hall and we would ask you take time when you arrive to read this and also familiarise yourself with the fire alarms and your nearest emergency exit. If you discover a fire, however small, you should sound the fire alarm and evacuate immediately to your assembly point. Please contact security to report the fire on 0161 306 9966. You will be required to attend a fire safety talk during welcome week, the details of which will be confirmed to you.

Our fire alarm systems are tested weekly and you will be told when this will take place. At all other times please do evacuate the building – it's for your own safety.

Our residences health and safety policy is available for you to view at Here.

Laundry Facilities

There are launderette facilities in Weston Hall on the ground floor. This service is managed by a private company. All machines are card operated. You will need a laundry card to operate the laundry and you can top this up on-line Circuit Laundry.

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**Bicycles**

Weston Hall has designated bike shelters and storage for you to use. Please ensure you secure your bike using a D lock. The University also runs a bike registration scheme and subsidised D lock purchases. For more information view [http://www.estates.manchester.ac.uk/services/security/estates-sevices-ian-ourservices/crimereduce/](http://www.estates.manchester.ac.uk/services/security/estates-sevices-ian-ourservices/crimereduce/).

**TV Licences**

We do not cover any of our residences with a TV licence, therefore you are advised to ensure that you purchase the appropriate licence either prior to or immediately after arrival. If you watch or record programmes as they’re being shown on TV or live on an online service - **on any device** – you need to be covered by a TV Licence.

*All of the team look forward to welcoming you to Weston Hall in September*

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